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Michael F. Easley, Governor Dempsey Benton, Secretary

Michael Moseley, Director

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MEMORANDUM

TO: LME Directors

FROM: Mike Moseley

RE: Assigning LME Developmental Disability and Mental Health Points of Contact (POC)

As you are aware, when we initiated the Substance Abuse Improvement Project, you were asked to assign members of your staff as our contact people regarding anything related to substance abuse. You did make those assignments, and I believe that this has enhanced communication among us, contributed to a better understanding of issues related to a particular disability group and allowed better linkage to service providers.

Now, I am asking that you assign individual LME staff members to serve as points of contact for developmental disability and mental health issues, respectively. Our aim is to begin regular information-sharing and communication with these groups regarding important issues, and I think that this will increase efficiency as well as helping to set priorities among relevant issues and needs. We ask that the people assigned have knowledge about the disability group they represent.

Responsibility for communicating and working with POCs will be assigned to Flo Stein and the Community Policy Management Section. I ask that you send names and contact information of POCs in care of Flo's administrative support, Jo Yarbrough (mailto:jo.yarbrough@ncmail.net) by March 1, 2008. If you have questions, please contact Flo (flo.stein@ncmail.net or 919-733-4670).

Thank you for attending to this matter.

cc: Secretary Dempsey Benton MH Commission Chair Debbie Crane
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